TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3526 - SB 3341

March 5, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD), transfers all current functions of the Division of Intellectual Disabilities Services to the Department and grants the Department authority over developmental and intellectual disabilities services. Changes the name of the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities (DMHDD) to the Department of Mental Health (DMH). Various provisions throughout Tennessee Code Annotated are changed to correspond with the responsibilities and name changes of DIDD and DMH. Decreases the required size of the Statewide Planning and Policy Council by one member and grants the Commissioner of DIDD authority to appoint a portion of the members. Includes the Commissioner of DIDD or designee to the membership of several task forces, councils, and boards. Transfers licensing authority for mental retardation facilities and programs from DMHDD to DIDD.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$20,000/One-Time Net Impact - \$561,000/Recurring

Other Fiscal Impact – The licensing fee revenue will shift from the Department of Mental Health to the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. In 2009, approximately \$522,700 was collected from 537 facilities.

Assumptions:

- According to the Division of Intellectual Disabilities Services, becoming responsible for
 the licensure of facilities and programs serving persons with intellectual disabilities and
 developmental disabilities will result in an increase in current workload. These
 additional positions will also assist in meeting the requirements to serve on the various
 task forces, boards, and councils.
- The Division estimates hiring nine additional staff positions resulting in an increase in recurring state expenditures of \$621,000 which includes salaries and benefits (\$585,000) and travel, training, and supplies (\$36,000).
- According to DMHDD, the work necessary for surveying of the facilities and programs is the equivalent of approximately one full-time employee (537 x 4.6 hours in work and travel = 2,470.2). The Department estimates a decrease in expenditures of \$60,000 from the reduction of the work.

- DMHDD collected approximately \$522,700 in licensing fee revenue from the 537 facilities in calendar year 2009. It is assumed that this fee revenue will shift from DMHDD to DIDD.
- It is estimated that both DIDD and DMHDD will incur one-time expenditures in the amount of \$10,000 each to incorporate the name changes on signage, forms and brochures, and making new templates resulting in a one-time increase in expenditures of \$20,000. Other supplies will be replaced as necessary during the regular replacement cycle.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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